

Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended): A combination comprising:
a child safety car seat; and
a cover and carrier for said a child safety car seat
usable in either a backpack mode or a luggage mode, said cover
and carrier including comprising-

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet
material having an exterior surface and defining an interior
compartment large enough for said the child safety car seat,
[[;]]

at least one backpack strap attached to said
bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface for use in
the backpack mode, [[;]] and

at least one wheel projecting outwardly from said
exterior surface at a lower end of said bag-like carrier for use
in the luggage mode.

2. (currently amended): The combination ~~cover and~~
~~carrier~~ of claim 1, wherein said flexible sheet material
comprises fabric.

3. (currently amended): The combination ~~cover and~~
~~carrier~~ of claim 1, wherein said at least one backpack strap is
releasably attached.

4. (currently amended): The combination ~~cover and~~
~~carrier~~ of claim 3, which further comprises a stowage compartment
for said backpack strap.

5. (currently amended): The combination ~~cover and~~
~~carrier~~ of claim 1, which further comprises a handle at an upper
end of said bag-like carrier for use in the luggage mode.

6. (currently amended): The combination ~~cover and~~
~~carrier~~ of claim 1, which further comprises a relatively rigid

base at said lower end of said bag-like carrier, to which base said at least one wheel is attached via a wheel bracket, and upon which base said the child safety car seat rests particularly during luggage mode transport.

7. (currently amended): The combination eever and carrier of claim 6, wherein said base is secured within a pocket made of fabric, located generally on the inside of said bag-like carrier.

8. (currently amended): The combination eever and carrier of claim 6, wherein said flexible sheet material can be wrapped around said base to form a compact package for storage.

9. (currently amended): A combination comprising:
a child safety car seat; and
a multiple-use cover and carrier for said a child
safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration with a backpack mode and a luggage mode as alternatives, and having a sun shade configuration, and said
multiple-use cover and carrier including comprising:

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for said the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed, [[;]]

at least one backpack strap attached to said bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface for use in the travel tote configuration backpack mode, [[;]]

at least one wheel projecting outwardly from said exterior surface at a lower end of said bag-like carrier for use in the travel tote configuration luggage mode, [[;]] and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the

sun shade configuration as a protective cover for said ~~the~~ child safety car seat, with said interior surface generally exposed.

10. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 9, wherein said flexible sheet material comprises fabric.

11. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 9, wherein a portion of said interior surface comprises a reflective material.

12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended): A ~~The~~ multiple-use cover and carrier ~~of claim 9, wherein~~ for a child safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration with a backpack mode and a luggage mode as alternatives, and having a sun shade configuration, comprising:

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed;

a portion of said interior surface being is hemmed by an elastic band to aid in retaining said multiple-use cover and carrier as a protective cover over the child safety car seat in the sun shade configuration;

at least one backpack strap attached to said bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface for use in the travel tote configuration backpack mode;

at least one wheel projecting outwardly from said exterior surface at a lower end of said bag-like carrier for use in the travel tote configuration luggage mode; and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the sun shade

configuration as a protective cover for the child safety car seat, with said interior surface generally exposed.

14. (currently amended): The combination multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 9, wherein said fastener for said interior compartment opening comprises a zipper.

15. (currently amended): A The multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 14, wherein said for a child safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration with a backpack mode and a luggage mode as alternatives, and having a sun shade configuration, comprising:

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed;

said fastener for said interior compartment opening comprising a zipper which comprises at least one sliding tab including a reversible pull which is accessible both when said multiple-use cover and carrier is in its travel tote configuration with the exterior surface facing outward and when said multiple-use cover and carrier is turned inside out in its sun shade configuration;

at least one backpack strap attached to said bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface for use in the travel tote configuration backpack mode;

at least one wheel projecting outwardly from said exterior surface at a lower end of said bag-like carrier for use in the travel tote configuration luggage mode; and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the sun shade configuration as a protective cover for the child safety car seat, with said interior surface generally exposed.

16. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 9, wherein said at least one backpack strap is releasably attached.

17. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 16, which further comprises a stowage compartment for said backpack strap.

18. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 9, which further comprises a handle at an upper end of said bag-like carrier for use in the travel tote configuration luggage mode.

19. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 9, which further comprises a relatively rigid base at said lower end of said bag-like carrier, to which base said at least one wheel is attached via a wheel bracket, and upon which base the child safety car seat rests particularly during luggage mode transport.

20. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 19, wherein said base is secured within a pocket made of fabric located generally on the inside of said bag-like carrier.

21. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 19, wherein said flexible sheet material can be wrapped around said base to form a compact package for storage.

22. (currently amended): A multiple-use cover and carrier for a child safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration with a backpack mode and a luggage mode as alternatives, and having a sun shade configuration, comprising:

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material ~~fabrie~~ having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed;

at least one backpack strap attached to said bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface for use in the travel tote configuration backpack mode;

at least one wheel projecting outwardly from said exterior surface at a lower end of said bag-like carrier for use in the travel tote configuration luggage mode;

a relatively rigid base at said lower end of said bag-like carrier, to which base said at least one wheel is attached via a wheel bracket, upon which base the child safety car seat rests particularly during luggage mode transport, and around which base said flexible sheet material can be wrapped to form a compact package for storage; and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the sun shade configuration as a protective cover for the child safety car seat, with said interior surface generally exposed, a portion of said interior surface comprising a reflective material hemmed by an elastic band to aid in retaining said multiple-use cover and carrier as a protective cover over the child safety car seat in the sun shade configuration.

23. (previously presented): A combination comprising:
a child safety car seat;

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough to contain said child safety car seat, said child safety car seat being contained within said bag-like carrier; and

at least one backpack strap attached to said bag-like carrier generally on said exterior surface.

24. (previously presented): The combination of claim 23, wherein:

said compartment has an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed; and

said bag-like carrier has an interior surface and is capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in a sun shade configuration as a protective cover for the child safety car seat, with said interior surface at least partly exposed.

25. (previously presented): The combination of claim 24, wherein at least a portion of said interior surface comprises a reflective material.

26. (currently amended): A combination comprising:
a child safety car seat; and

a multiple-use cover and carrier for said a child safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration and a sun shade configuration, and said multiple-use cover and carrier including comprising-

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for said the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed, [[;]] and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the sun shade configuration as a protective cover for said the child safety car seat, with said interior surface at least partly exposed.

27. (currently amended): The combination ~~multiple-use cover and carrier~~ of claim 26, wherein said flexible sheet material comprises fabric.

28. (currently amended): The combination multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 26, wherein at least a portion of said interior surface comprises a reflective material.

29. (canceled)

30. (currently amended): A The multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 26, wherein for a child safety car seat, said multiple-use cover and carrier having a travel tote configuration and a sun shade configuration, comprising:

a bag-like carrier made of a flexible sheet material having an interior surface and an exterior surface and defining an interior compartment large enough for the child safety car seat, said compartment having an opening comprising a fastener which allows the opening to be repeatedly opened and closed;

a portion of said interior surface being is hemmed by an elastic band to aid in retaining said multiple-use cover and carrier as a protective cover over the child safety car seat in the sun shade configuration; and

said bag-like carrier being capable of being turned inside-out through said opening so as to be used in the sun shade configuration as a protective cover for the child safety car seat, with said interior surface at least partly exposed.

31. (new): The multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 13, wherein said portion of said interior surface hemmed by an elastic band comprises a reflective material.

32. (new): The multiple-use cover and carrier of claim 30, wherein said portion of said interior surface hemmed by an elastic band comprises a reflective material.